--- "Series of 1880-81" - TOBACCO - Windsor Division - 3rd BABN Contract (1878-1886) ---

--- 1/2 pound - lithographed in black ink - inscribed *James Gow / Collector* **- 238 x 20 mm - scanned at 67% scale ---**

Chris Ryan reports that *James Gow* replaced *C. F. Labadie* as Collector at Windsor on June 1st 1876.

John McKay records that 247,410 *lithographed* copies of "1/2 Black Tobacco" were 'Delivered' under the **3rd BABN Contract**.

John McKay further records that 40,570 *lithographed* copies of "1/2 lb. Black Ribbon Tobacco" were 'Delivered' under the **4th BABN Contract**. These, listed in the final section of the Contract, were 'Delivered' for destruction. As such they do not enter into the exiting control number sequencing.

3rd BABN Contract (1878-1886) -	lithographed	247,410
4th BABN Contract (1886-1892) -	lithographed	40,570
		287,980

Working from the last recorded control number - as collected to date

Division Open	12,521
London Division - L 11	none
Quebec Division	33,401
Windsor Division	109,135
	155,057

The catalogue lists the 1/2 pound, black, Windsor, TOBACCO strip as follows:

RP-77 - 1/2 pound, black, perforated 12, Windsor, on *block wmkd* vertical mesh wove - 4 mm. blue controls

RP-77n - 1/2 pound, black, perforated 12, Windsor Division, *without* control numbering,
Lithographed on *block watermarked* vertical mesh wove paper - a remnant strip

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The following *imperforate* strip is an unfinished remnant. As such I feel that it is preferable to simply list it without a separate catalogue number.

1/2 pound, black, *imperforate*, Windsor Division, *without* control numbering,
Lithographed on *block watermarked* vertical mesh wove paper - an unfinished remnant strip

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--- RP-77 - 1/2 pound - *perforated 12* - on *block watermarked* vertical mesh wove - 4 mm. blue controls ---

RP-77 - 1/2 pound, black, perforated 12, Windsor Division, control number **108084**,
Lithographed on *block watermarked* vertical mesh wove paper

026103★	12/83	RP-77	1/2 pound, perforated 12, block watermarked vertical mesh, rollered multiple **DEC 1883**
108055		RP-77	1/2 pound, perforated 12, block watermarked vertical mesh
108056		RP-77	1/2 pound, perforated 12, block watermarked vertical mesh
108084★		RP-77	1/2 pound, perforated 12, block watermarked vertical mesh
108099		RP-77	1/2 pound, perforated 12, block watermarked vertical mesh

RP-77 - 1/2 pound, black, perforated 12, Windsor Division, control number **108114**,
Lithographed on *block watermarked* vertical mesh wove paper
Stamped **CANCELLED** in 3 mm. violet Gothic letters - a suspect CP strip

108114★	RP-77 CP	1/2 pound, perforated 12, block watermarked vertical mesh - suspect
108116	RP-77	1/2 pound, perforated 12, block watermarked vertical mesh
108132	RP-77	1/2 pound, perforated 12, block watermarked vertical mesh
108140	RP-77	1/2 pound, perforated 12, block watermarked vertical mesh
108167	RP-77	1/2 pound, perforated 12, block watermarked vertical mesh
108172	RP-77	1/2 pound, perforated 12, block watermarked vertical mesh
108299	RP-77	1/2 pound, perforated 12, block watermarked vertical mesh
108360	RP-77	1/2 pound, perforated 12, block watermarked vertical mesh
108367	RP-77	1/2 pound, perforated 12, block watermarked vertical mesh
108382	RP-77	1/2 pound, perforated 12, block watermarked vertical mesh
108391	RP-77	1/2 pound, perforated 12, block watermarked vertical mesh
108398	RP-77	1/2 pound, perforated 12, block watermarked vertical mesh
108519	RP-77	1/2 pound, perforated 12, block watermarked vertical mesh
108907	RP-77	1/2 pound, perforated 12, block watermarked vertical mesh
108917	RP-77	1/2 pound, perforated 12, block watermarked vertical mesh
108931	RP-77	1/2 pound, perforated 12, block watermarked vertical mesh
108938	RP-77	1/2 pound, perforated 12, block watermarked vertical mesh
108941	RP-77	1/2 pound, perforated 12, block watermarked vertical mesh
108945-56★	RP-77	1/2 pound, perforated 12, block watermarked vertical mesh - a sheet of twelve
109014	RP-77	1/2 pound, perforated 12, block watermarked vertical mesh
109032★	RP-77 CP	1/2 pound, perforated 12, block watermarked vertical mesh - suspect
109035★	RP-77	1/2 pound, perforated 12, block watermarked vertical mesh
109135	RP-77	1/2 pound, perforated 12, block watermarked vertical mesh

Many of these strips exist stamped **CANCELLED** and are currently being supplied by a dealer in Holland. He is selling nothing else, and many of his offerings have been previously recorded ***without*** the stamped overprint. I have been systematically marking these strips as possible forgeries. Nevertheless true CP copies do exist. Many CP stamped strips were found in an old Area Collectors 'work-book' purchased from Erling van Dam, where they were listed as *obsolete* strips. These pre-dated the Brandom catalogue by nearly a century. They appear to be CP examples sent to the Area Collector as *SPECIMEN* copies.

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